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There is at present a mania for darned lace or net. This darning is done with linen or silk floss and crewels. This embroidery net is exceedingly handsome and very expensive when bought, but to many ladies the mere fact that it is their own work gives a charm and value to it that no bought work could possibly possess. An exquisite lambrequin is made of white bobbinet worked with filoselle in Gobelin stitch. The vandyked edge is done in olive shade and buttoned-holed on the edge, while each point has a tassel of olive silk tied with red silk. The center of the net is embroidered with red silk in three shades, and the pattern can be of your own choice. The upper end of the lace is in olive.

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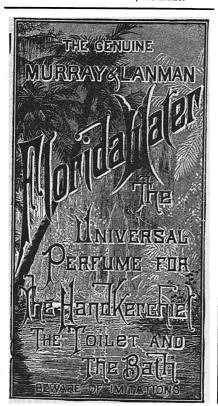
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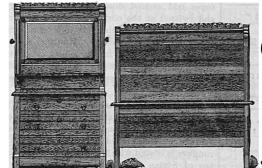
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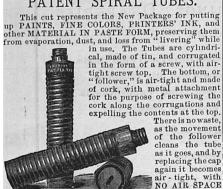
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A novel wall covering design has been introduced, composed of a loosely-woven, ecrutinted, wide canvas, tacked top and bottom to the wall, and fastened on the seams with heavy rope, giving the effect of canvas panels. The frieze, composed of a diamond network of slender rope, netted after the manner of seine cord and tacked at each intersection to the wall by galvanized brass nails, is decorated by two rows of tassels, composed of ravelled rope strands; the dado, composed of a network of heavier rope, is divided into panels by means of ropes; a deep band of dark red and a band of lighter red laid under dado and frieze, show through the network with pleasant effect, while ropes laid around door and window casings, and twisted at the corners and tops into trefoils, flatly applied, finish this inexpensive but handsome wall furnishing. Hunting scenes, fairs, players engaged in tennis and other outdoor games and banqueting parties are among the subjects on these canvases. - American Queen.

A glass desk has been patented. The table is made of so-called rough glass, finely polished on one side and rough on the other. The finer side is used for writing while the rougher is coated with coloring matter, consisting of Syrian lac, black, and some dissolved black wax. After the glass is sufficiently warmed, a thin coating of this is given and then polished with pumice, so that the coating penetrates the glass pores. The process must be repeated several times, and finally a mixture pressed on to protect the colors. By this method the smooth side has a slate appearance. A white color can also be used.

A somewhat novel way to trim a table scarf is to put three-cornered pieces of silk or satin on each end. Have these pieces half a yard deep at the longest side, in the corner embroider a spray of flowers; where the satin or silk end joins the center part of the scarf put a row of fancy stitches. A dark crimson felt scarf with one end light blue, the other of crimson shaded to brown, is very handsome.

The best way to clean mirrors, the glass of pictures, etc., is to take a soft sponge, wash it well in clean water, and squeeze it as dry as possible; dip it in some spirits of wine, and rub over the glass; then have some powder blue tied up in a rag, dust it over your glass and rub it lightly and quickly with a soft cloth; afterward finish with a silk handkerchief.

A Japanese umbrella suspended by its handle may be made to serve as a very acceptable lantern, by arranging around the handle a few tin sockets to hold candles, which being lighted throw a tempered light down through the colored paper of the umbrella.

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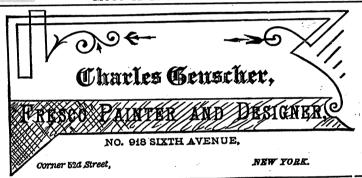
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Coloring photographs is now done in a new way. The process consists in immersing the photograph in a solution of naphtha, paraffine, mastic drops, ether and vinegar, and applying to the back, in oil paint, the desired shade and tone, and also applying a mixture of glue and glycerine to the back, and pressing the back to canvas until cohesion takes place, whereby the whole picture will be flexible, and have the appearance of having been painted on the canvas.

A cement to fasten knife handles is made from one pound of colophony and eight ounces of sulphur, melted together and powdered. Two parts of the powder is then mixed with one part of iron filings, fine sand or brick dust, and the cavity in the handle filled with this mixture. The tang of the knife or fork is then heated and inserted into the cavity where it will hold with great tenacity.

Among other pretty ways to finish the edge of a silk lounge quilt are these: Put a border of narrow ribbon on in strips, make a point on the end of each piece of ribbon, and under these, allowing it to show a trifle below them, put a ruffle of lace. The other way is to omit the lace and put a tassel or small ball on each point.

A means of attaching pockets to pool tables has been suggested. Instead of tacking the netting to the block, which is apt to cut the meshes, a metal strip is provided which is curved in shape like the form of the block, and is provided with notches over which the meshes of the net are passed. This strip is then screwed to the pocket block.

Window panes, according to a new invention, are now set in without the use of putty. The substitute is a rubber strip provided with a longitudinal slot increasing in width toward its interior. The window sash has end and cross pieces provided with a groove to receive the strip which holds the glass.

A book rest and manuscript holder, combining also a reading mark and eye protector, has been patented. It consists in a plate provided with springs for holding a book, and with a curtain attached to a roller, which curtain is raised or lowered to cover that part of the book that has been read.

Buggy tops are very handy when a shower comes up unexpectedly, but the efforts to get the covering into place are often the source of strong language and bruised hands. We are glad to see that an arrangement has been introduced by which these tops can be readily managed from the seat with very little exertion or

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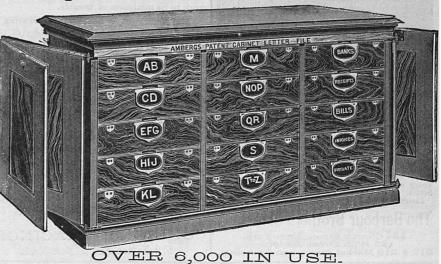
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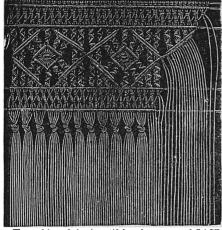
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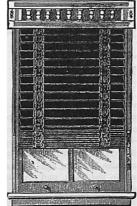
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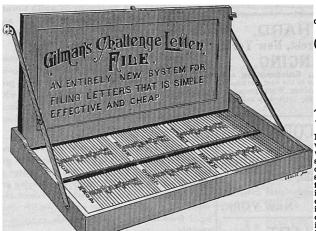
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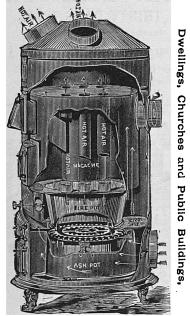


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Rosette and Japan Copper.—"Rosette" and "Japan" copper, are commercial varieties of copper the surface of which presents a peculiar red color, due to a coating of oxide of copper formed by throwing water upon the surface of the metal while still in a heated state. The "rosette" variety produced at Chessy, in France, in the Hartz, in Sweden, China, etc., is obtained in thin plates or discs, by projecting water upon the surface of the cake of fluid metal and removing the crust so formed as quickly as solidified, proceeding thus until the whole of the copper is removed in the forming of thin discs, which are then immersed in water as quickly as possible to prevent their further oxidation. This variety contains a considerable amount of the red oxide of copper, and has a dull, red-short fracture. It requires refining before it can be hammered or rolled. The Japanese variety, instead of forming discs, occurs as small ingots having a purplish-red tint, acquired by throwing them into water as quickly as solidified. It is principally made for exportation to the East Indies. In the preparation of Japanese copper the ore is first roasted in kilns with the required fuel, and the roasted ore is smelted with charcoal in primitive furnaces supplied with a blast from bellows worked by hand. The regulus or coarse metal, so obtained, is again roasted and resmelted, after which it passes to the foundry where it is refined under a blast of atmospheric air, and the refined metal is then melted in crucibles and cast under warm water into small ingots. In this manner the ingots are obtained with a clear, bright surface of a rich red color.

How to Cleanse Waste Pipes.—A simple, inexpensive method of clearing the waste pipe of washstands, both tub, or kitchen, the stoppage of which often entails great expense, is said to be as follows:-Just before retiring at night pour into the pipe enough liquid potash lye of 36 degrees strength to fill the "trap," as it is called, or bent portion of the pipe just below the outlet. About a pint will suffice for a washstand, or a quart for a bath tub or kitchen sink. Be sure that no water runs into it till next morning. During the night the lye will convert all the offal in the pipe into soft soap, and the first current of water in the morning will remove it entirely, and leave the pipe as clean as new. The so-called potash lye is not recommended for this purpose. The lye should be kept in heavy glass bottles or demijohns covered with wicker-work and plainly labelled; always under lock when not in actual

A new grate is exhibited which, because of its completeness, will be largely adopted where utility is desired in combination with artistic effect. The grate frame is made of polished iron and is high enough to admit of an ornamented plate above the grate, which also serves to conceal a flat "curtain," which, being lowered before the grate, serves as a blower; the front of the ash-pan is also movable and can be raised, and joining with the blower also serves to increase the draft. The grate is hung so that it can be readily emptied, and the whole is completed by a draft damper which is operated by an ornamented knob in front. This grate can be fitted to any mantel, and looks well in an unpolished ash mantel with tiling around the grate.

A wall pocket may be made of two pieces of board covered with plush, the back rather larger than the front piece, and the two joined at the side by ribbons. This is well adapted for holding newspapers, etc.

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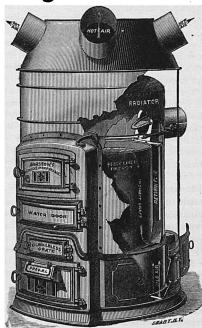
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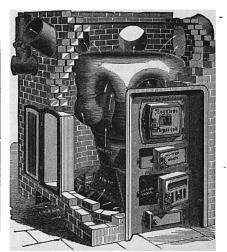
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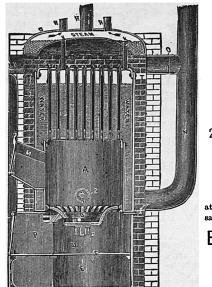
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A cheap clock may be made to appear very attractive in this way-take two cigar boxes, cut a hole in one just the size of the face of the clock and tack it securely endwise on the top of the other box, which, of course, is in its natural horizontal position. Cover them both with garnet plush or velvet, glued smoothly to the wood, and fasten the clock with strong wire inside the upper box to show only the face as if in a frame. Screw four brass knobs under the lower box as feet for it to rest on, and make a little railing around it of a miniature brass chain upheld by gilt-headed millinery pins. The top of the upper box should be finished in the same manner. The effect is excellent.

A new easy chair has been invented by a Boston man, which seems to exceed everything in that line yet introduced. It is shaped to exactly fit the shape and curves of the body. For variety of changes, the natural position. the perfect rest of joints and muscles and the ease and simplicity of obtaining them, we have seen nothing to equal it. It seems that the occupant has but to will and the chair obeys, and in such unison with the body as to make the movement of both simultaneous.

Pretty and Odd Chair Backs are made of squares of linen and of satin. This may seem a strange combination, but the effect is excellent. Where the squares are joined, cover the seams with fancy stitches. The satin squares may be left without ornamentation, and all the work be put on the linen ones. Embroidery, or painting or etching is the favorite method em ployed.

The "Tapestry" and "Rosetti" Wall Papers both aim at producing something of the general effect and character of old English tapestries, and both are designed expressly to meet the growing demands for suitable decoration for the Rennaissance houses of the present day. The "Tapestry" is based upon studies of English embroideries dating 1500, and the "Rossetti" upon hangings about 1600.

A combination of cupboard and folding table has recently been invented consisting of a comparatively small cabinet frame provided with drawers below and an open space above into which an extension table may be folded. Still above this is a rack for books. There were several other things the inventor intended to introduce, but he was evidently disappointed in his space.

The Jamewaur, a Cashmere shawl, used by the inhabitants of that part of the world as a full dress suit, is suggested as a portiere, and may be claimed as the most recent thing in that line.

A lambrequin for a bedroom may be made of odd pieces of worsted, knitted like a Roman scarf, and finished with a fringe of similar colors.

Crepe lisse makes delicate bureau covers, and may be decorated with outline sketches in etching silk.

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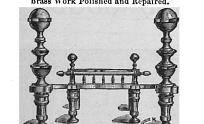
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Paperhanger's Paste.-First heat water to boiling, then add flour, with constant stirringto prevent the formation of lumps the flour may be passed through a sieve, so as to ensure it more equable distribution. Agitation is continued until the heat has rendered the mass of the desired consistency, and, after a few moments' further boiling, it is ready for use. In order to increase its strength powdered resin in proportion of one-sixth to one-fourth of the weight of the flour is added. To prevent its souring, oil of cloves or a few drops of carbolic

Lacquering Plaster.-A new industry in Japan is said to be that of lacqueriag plaster in a way which causes it to resemble marble. On a basis of clay this lacquerwork is especially novel. The clay is baked after the fashion of porcelain, and the hardness and ring of the material combine with the skill of the lacquerer to produce a result only distinguishable by the expert from marble itself.

Three-legged cauldrons are now painted with suitable ornamentation and used in the parlor as receptacles for growing plants. The surface may be gilded and the flowers painted on that; after the painting the entire thing should be varnished. The handle, of course, should be removed.

There is nothing so tends to shorten the lives of old people, and to injure their health, as the practice of sitting up late, particularly winter evenings. This is especially the case where there is a grown-up daughter in the family. This sanitary item is published at the request of several young men.

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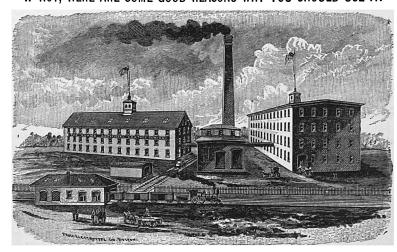
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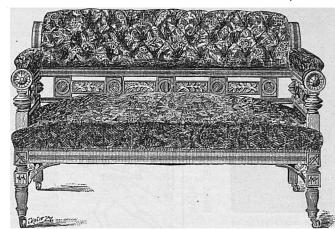
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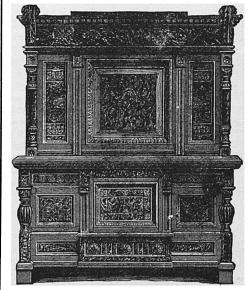
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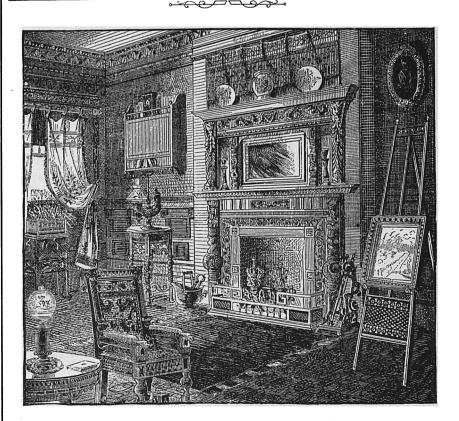
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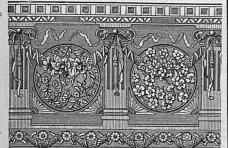
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House decoration was the subject of a recent lecture by Mr. Oscar Wilde, during which he said:-Doors should show as much as possible the character of the wood of which they were made, or they might be painted with a light shade of green. Mr. Wilde deprecated the adornment of the walls of the hall with the ordinary marble paper, as being at once too much of a make-believe, in addition to which it became too readily soiled. Linoleum should not be used for the hall floors, because the designs were usually ugly. Tiles were preferable, or the ordinary stone flooring might be "picked out" with them.

Mr. Wilde thought the most beautiful room was that in which it would be impossible to take away any one thing without entirely spoiling its appearance. Mr. Morris had said that the best way in which to furnish a room was to put into it only those things which we knew to be useful, or thought to be beautful. The lecturer adduced as perfect specimens of decorative art the peacock room in Mr. Whistler's residence in London, the Alhambra in Spain, and St. Mark's at Venice. Mr. Wilde was inclined to abolish all wall papers, preferring rather that a part of the wall should be colored, and that a dado of deal wood should be placed round the room. He protested against ceilings being papered, as it gave one the notion of living in a large paper band-box. Windows ought not to be so large as they often are. They create not a proper light, but a glare. Besides, he added, they only encourage us in that bad habit of looking into the streets to see what our neighbors are doing, and they also encourage our neighbors in the still worse habit of looking in at our windows to see what we are doing. Moreover, they gave one the impression that one was living in a great glass case. He advocated the use of smaller panes of glass, and suggested that window curtains should be altogether abolished.

Turning to the subject of carpets the lecturer remarked that they ought never to cover the whole of the room, as they collected the dust, and could not be taken up with sufficient frequency without disturbing the household arrangements. The modern style of fire-place was most objectionable. It was dingy and unattractive, and instead of iron and steel we ought to use brass, which is bright and cheerful. The modern marble mantelpiece was equally to be deprecated. If arrangements could not be made with the landlords to have wooden mantelpieces, the simpler and better way would be to have them painted.

Mr. Wilde went on to describe the most desirable form of furniture. That now in use was in his opinion too heavy and substantial, and looked as if it had been made for purposes of offence and defence. Something lighter and more graceful was required. Chairs should be made to fit in with the lines of the human body,

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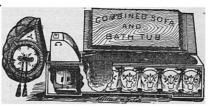
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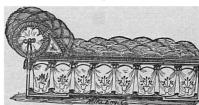
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 VI. AN HISTORICAL SERIAL. (To begin in the December number.)

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Among the purely pictoral attractions will be fine Frontispieces from the studio of F. H. Lungren, whose "A-Maying" and "Winter Birds," in Wide Awake, attracted so much attention in 18*2. W. Parker Bodfish will contribute a picture serial, in fifty scenes and twenty-four interludes, entitled "Through France in Sabots," Miss Jessie MadDermott has prepared a novel set of twelve full-page pictures under the title, "The Procession of the Zodiac." Joseph Pennell has sent from Italy some twenty interesting and beautiful drawings of "Child Life in Venice;" Henry Sandham has contributed another series illustrative of "A Winter Carnival in Canada;" and George Foster Barnes has just completed an alphabet of novel and artistic decorative initials.

Many valuable contributions, very pleasant reading for the curious are in hand; among them two articles about "Famous Dwarfs," and one about "Famous Giants," by Isabel Smithson, illustrated by Edmund H. Garret, from authentic sources; "The Troubadours," by George Foster Barnes, illustrated by the author; "The Gypsies," by Mrs. Catherwood, giving much novel matter, the illustrations including life sketches made among the gypsy caves of Granada the past winter.

Edward Everett Hale will make an interesting contribution to historical literature, through Wide Awake, in the form of several articles entitled "The Story of Boston Common," giving complete its curious early history, describing famous events and scenes connected with its green shades and malls, and narrating many tales and traditions, quaint but authentic. These articles will be fully illustrated.

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and they should not be over-ornamented. There was too much of the millinery element in the style of decoration most favored by the ladies. Antimacassars were scattered over a room in such profusion as to suggest an eternal washing day, and chairs were adorned with little bows of ribbon until they looked like nice little girls going out to a tea party. Pictures, said Mr. Wilde, were rarely decorative, and if one could not have them of the best class it would be better not to have them at all. Etchings were in many cases decorative, and photographs also, but as the latter were rarely good it was better in most cases to do without them. Some of those of Swiss scenery might well be numbered amongst the unpunished crimes of the English people. Especially out of place were pictorial representations on such things as coal scuttles, which would be all the better for not being decorated by views of a stag's head by Landseer, or Tintern Abbey by moonlight. Mr. Wilde favored the abolition of the large pier glasses, usually placed on mantelpieces, and extending sometimes to the ceiling. These, he said, reflect too much of the room in which they are placed, and looking-glasses of a smaller size would be preferable. These would really have a decorative effect.

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